

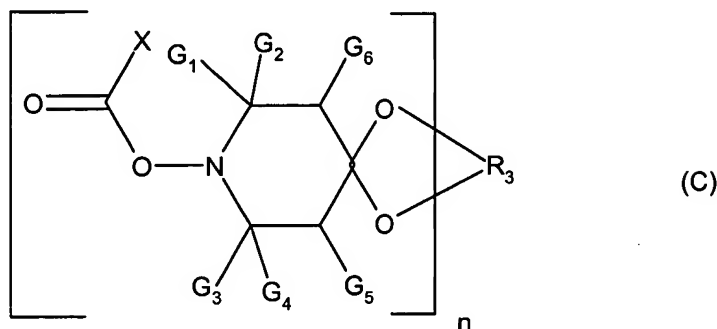
In the Claims

1. (currently amended) A flame retardant composition which comprises

(a) a polypropylenethermoplastic polymer substrate and

(b) a mixture of

(i) a hydroxylamine ester of formula C



where

G₁, G₂, G₃ and G₄ are methyl or G₁ and G₃ are methyl and G₂ and G₄ are ethyl;

G₅ and G₆ are independently hydrogen or methyl;

n is 1;

R₃ is C₂-C₈alkylene or hydroxyalkylene or C₄-C₃₆acyloxyalkylene and

X is hydrogen, C₁-C₃₆alkyl or C₆-C₁₀aryl;

and

(ii) tris[3-bromo-2,2-(bromomethyl)propyl] phosphate or decabromodiphenylether
~~flame retardant compound selected from the group consisting of halogenated, phosphorus, boron,~~
~~silicon or antimony compounds, metal hydroxides, metal hydrates, metal oxides and mixtures thereof.~~

2-6. (canceled)

7. (original) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the hydroxylamine ester is present in an amount of from 0.1 to 15 weight-% based on the weight of the polymer.

8-11. (canceled)

12. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the flame retardant compound is present in an amount of from 0.1 to 30 weight-% based on the weight of the polymer.

13. (original) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the ratio by weight between component (i) and (ii) is from 10:1 to 1:100.

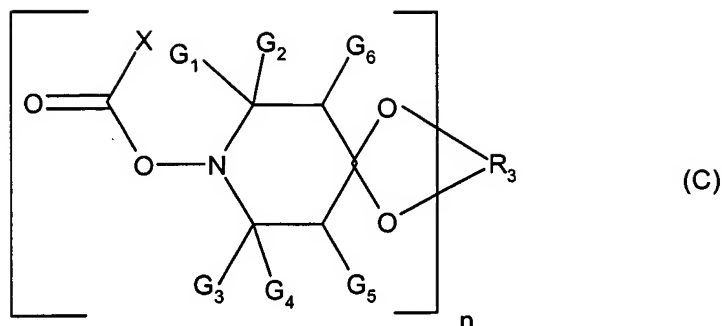
14. (original) A composition according to claim 1, which additionally contains an organic peroxide and/or another radical generator.

15. (original) A composition according to claim 1 which additionally contains a further additive selected from the group consisting of a UV absorber, a sterically hindered amine, a phenolic antioxidant, a phosphite or phosphonite and a benzofuranone or an indolinone.

16. (currently amended) A method of making a polypropylene~~thermoplastic~~ polymer flame retarding by incorporating into the ~~thermoplastic~~ polymer

a mixture of

(i) a hydroxylamine ester of formula C



where

G_1 , G_2 , G_3 and G_4 are methyl or G_1 and G_3 are methyl and G_2 and G_4 are ethyl;

G_5 and G_6 are independently hydrogen or methyl;

n is 1;

R_3 is C_2 - C_8 alkylene or hydroxyalkylene or C_4 - C_{36} acyloxyalkylene and

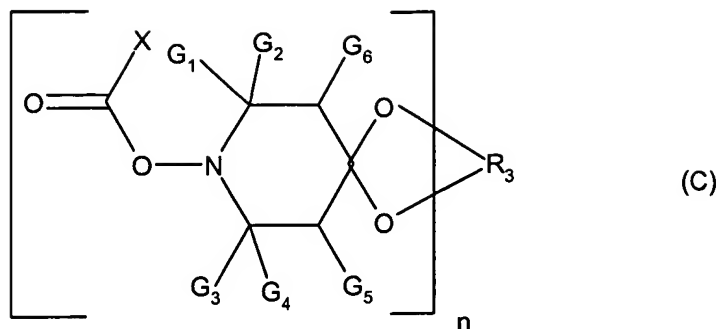
X is hydrogen, C_1 - C_{36} alkyl or C_6 - C_{10} aryl;

and

(ii) tris[3-bromo-2,2-(bromomethyl)propyl] phosphate or decabromodiphenylether a flame-retardant compound selected from the group consisting of halogenated, phosphorus, boron, silicon or antimony compounds, metal hydroxides, metal hydrates, metal oxides and mixtures thereof.

17. (currently amended) A flame retardant mixture comprising

(i) a hydroxylamine ester of formula C



where

G_1 , G_2 , G_3 and G_4 are methyl or G_1 and G_3 are methyl and G_2 and G_4 are ethyl;

G_5 and G_6 are independently hydrogen or methyl;

n is 1;

R_3 is C_2 - C_8 alkylene or hydroxyalkylene or C_4 - C_{36} acyloxyalkylene and

X is hydrogen, C_1 - C_{36} alkyl or C_6 - C_{10} aryl;

and

(ii) tris[3-bromo-2,2-(bromomethyl)propyl] phosphate or decabromodiphenylethera flame-retardant compound selected from the group consisting of halogenated, phosphorus, boron, silicon or antimony compounds, metal hydroxides, metal hydrates, metal oxides and mixtures thereof.

18-19. (canceled)

20. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the hydroxylamine ester of formula (C) is

